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**CIRCULATE**

1. Fructexport, ICS (Interprindere Pentru Comerțul de Stat - State Commerce Enterprise), is located in Bucharest. Its central office employs 263 persons. Its branch offices in nine other cities employ 450-550 persons. In 1950 it exported the following:

- a. 3,500 tons of grapes, to Poland, Czechoslovakia and Austria.
- b. 1,500 tons of tomatoes, to Czechoslovakia and Hungary.
- c. 22,000 casks (150 liters each) of fruit pulp to Hungary, Czechoslovakia and the USSR.
- d. 1,000 tons of fruit to Czechoslovakia and Hungary.
- e. 500 tons of nuts to the U.S.A. and Israel.
- f. 500 tons of wine to Poland and Czechoslovakia.
- g. 200 barrels (500 liters each) of wine alcohol (this is described by source as having an alcoholic content of 72 per cent, made by concentrating wine of 14-18 per cent alcoholic content, and serving in the manufacture of brandy).
- h. 50 tons of starch for the USSR.
- i. 100 tons of glucose for Israel.

2. In 1951 Fructexport exported, or planned to export, the following:

- a. 8,000 tons of grapes to Poland, Czechoslovakia and Austria.
- b. 4,500 tons of tomatoes.
- c. 1,500 tons of other vegetables.
- d. 45,000 casks (150 liters each) of fruit pulp.
- e. 3,000 tons of fruit (source says 1,500 tons have already been shipped to Czechoslovakia, and 500 tons have already been shipped to Belgium).
- f. 2,000 tons of nuts, reserved for Western countries to obtain dollars.
- g. 6,000 tons of wine.
- h. 10,000 barrels of wine-alcohol (source says contracts have been concluded for this with the USSR. Belgium received 100 tons in January).
- i. 50,000 bottles of champagne. **CONFIDENTIAL\***
- j. An unknown quantity of liquors.
- k. 60,000 crates of starch (1,500 tons) to USSR and Israel.
- l. 500 tons of glucose (source says contracts have been concluded with the USSR).

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- m. An unknown quantity of sweets, of which 50 tons have been exported to Austria.
3. Prodexport is a state institution. Two hundred refrigerator cars have been leased to Prodexport from East Germany, Czechoslovakia and Hungary. Recently it has exported unknown quantities of the following:
- a. Live cattle to the USSR.
  - b. Frozen meat to the USSR.
  - c. Large quantities of eggs to Czechoslovakia, Poland, Austria and Hungary.
  - d. Sausages, packed in five kg. and two kg packages, for Czechoslovakia and Austria.
  - e. Poultry (slaughtered) for Czechoslovakia and East Germany.
4. Prodaliment was established by Prodexport in April 1951, to collect and fatten cattle and poultry. It owns a poultry raising and fattening farm (including cold storage) at Targu-Mures, a cold storage in Bucharest, and a large factory for the processing of bacon and sausages. This factory has a cold storage department.
5. Exportlemn is the largest export enterprise in Rumania, employing about 800 persons. It exports only conifers. It has export bases at Radauti, Visaul de Sus and Constanta. Source knows of the following transactions carried out by Exportlemn:
- 60,000 cubic meters of Tumband (the best quality of conifer) was exported to Argentina early in 1950, in exchange for raw hide.
- Five million linear meters of a wood called Margini (the slivers remaining after the timber is sawn) were exported to Hungary in 1951.
- An unknown quantity of a grade of wood called Alexandria was to be shipped to Egypt.
6. The following items have been received in exchange for Rumanian exports:
- a. Typewriters, calculating machines and multipliers from the USSR in 1950.
  - b. Ball bearings from Belgium in April-May, 1951.
  - c. 1,000 tractors from Britain in May-June, 1950, in exchange for 6,000 cubic meters of veneer.
  - d. Electric light bulbs in 1950, from an unspecified Western country.
7. Source describes the following individuals connected with the above institutions:
- a. A certain Hammer-chief of Planning Section of Fructexport-25, tall, blond.
  - b. A certain Suzin-General Manager of Fructexport-40, tall, blond.
  - c. A certain Sachelaride-Commercial Manager of Fructexport-35, medium height, brown hair.
  - d. A certain Steriopol-General Manager of Exportlemn-42, tall, brown hair.
  - e. Carol Sostarici-Commercial Manager of Exportlemn-42, short, blond.

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